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(Case No. 00-1070)

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Harper et al.)))		
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CITED REFERENCES

U.S. Patent Documents

None

Other Documents

1. Townsley et al., "Layer Two Tunneling Protocol-L2TR", Network Working Gourp, RFC:2661, August 1999, pages 1-80.

Respectfully submitted,

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